

Claims: Cancel Claims 1-4 and substitute new claims 5 to 8 as follows:

5) (New) A device for use in chemical analysis for maintaining a surface of a material in cylindrical sample container at fixed sampling location while it is rotated comprising:

- a) 2 pairs of fixed contact points and
- b) a movable tensioned motor driven wheel.

6) (New) The device in claim 5 where the fixed contact points consisting of rotational bearings.

7) (New) A device for use in chemical analysis for maintaining a surface of a cylindrical sample container at a fixed location while it is rotated for use in spectroscopy comprising:

- a) a single pair of fixed contact points located above and below the sampling point and
- b) a moveable, tensioned dual wheel motorized drive.

8) (New) A device for use in chemical analysis for holding and rotating a cylindrical sample container on its side while maintaining the surface of the sample at fixed point comprising:

- a) two pairs of fixed contact points and
- b) with one or more of the contact points motorized.